Nevada State Historical Records Advisory Board 2023 Scholarship Announcement

The Nevada State Historical Records Advisory Board is pleased to announce and invite applications for scholarships to support educational opportunities related to the care, preservation, and access of historical records. This scholarship is funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

Scholarships may be used for registration, educational materials, or travel for in-person events or online workshops, trainings, or meetings sponsored by professional organizations.

Professional organizations include, but are not limited to:

- Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums
- Conference of Inter-Mountain Archivists
- Council of State Archivists
- National Association of Government Archives & Records Administrators
- Nevada State Historical Advisory Board
- Northeast Document Conservation Center
- Northwest Archivists
- Society of American Archivists
- Society of California Archivists
- Society of Rocky Mountain Archivists
- Society of Southwest Archivists

Purpose:

The purpose of this award is to provide financial support for the education of historical records keepers in Nevada organizations. Applicants must be an employee or volunteer at a Nevada organization that is responsible for preserving and providing access to historical records. Applicants must have at least one year of demonstrated work experience handling historical records.

At least five scholarships of up to \$800 each will be awarded.

Application Deadline: October 1, 2023

First consideration will be given to applications submitted by October 1, 2023. If funding remains after that date, applications will be considered on a rolling basis.

Criteria for selection:

Recipients will be selected based on their submission of a completed application and the strength of their personal statement/essay. Personal statements/essays must be no more than 500 words and will be evaluated on:

• Overall clarity;

- Understanding of professional goals and experience with and commitment to documenting, preserving, and providing access to the historical records of Nevada;
- How the scholarship would benefit the individual and the organization in their work to care for historical records.

Eligibility and application process:

The applicant:

- Must be a Nevada resident;
- Must have demonstrated work experience of at least one year in an organization that handles historical records;
- Must complete the <u>online application</u>;
- Must submit a current resume or CV;
- Must include a letter of support from their supervisor or organization's administrator, stating how
 the organization would benefit from the knowledge gained through the educational opportunity;
 letter must confirm that the applicant represents an organization with insufficient resources to
 support travel and training for historical records purposes;
- If requesting travel funds, <u>GSA</u> per diem rates apply for mileage, accommodations, and meals.
- Once awards are distributed, the awardees must be willing to submit a brief essay and photo
 about how receiving the award advanced their education and/or work. The essay and photo will
 be placed on the publicly available through the Nevada State Library, Archives & Public Records
 website: https://nsla.nv.gov/blog;

Selection process:

Applications will be publicly discussed at a SHRAB Board meeting and Board members will vote to select recipients. Applicants' names and contact information will be redacted from the public meeting packet. Applicants should not include sensitive or confidential information in their applications.